



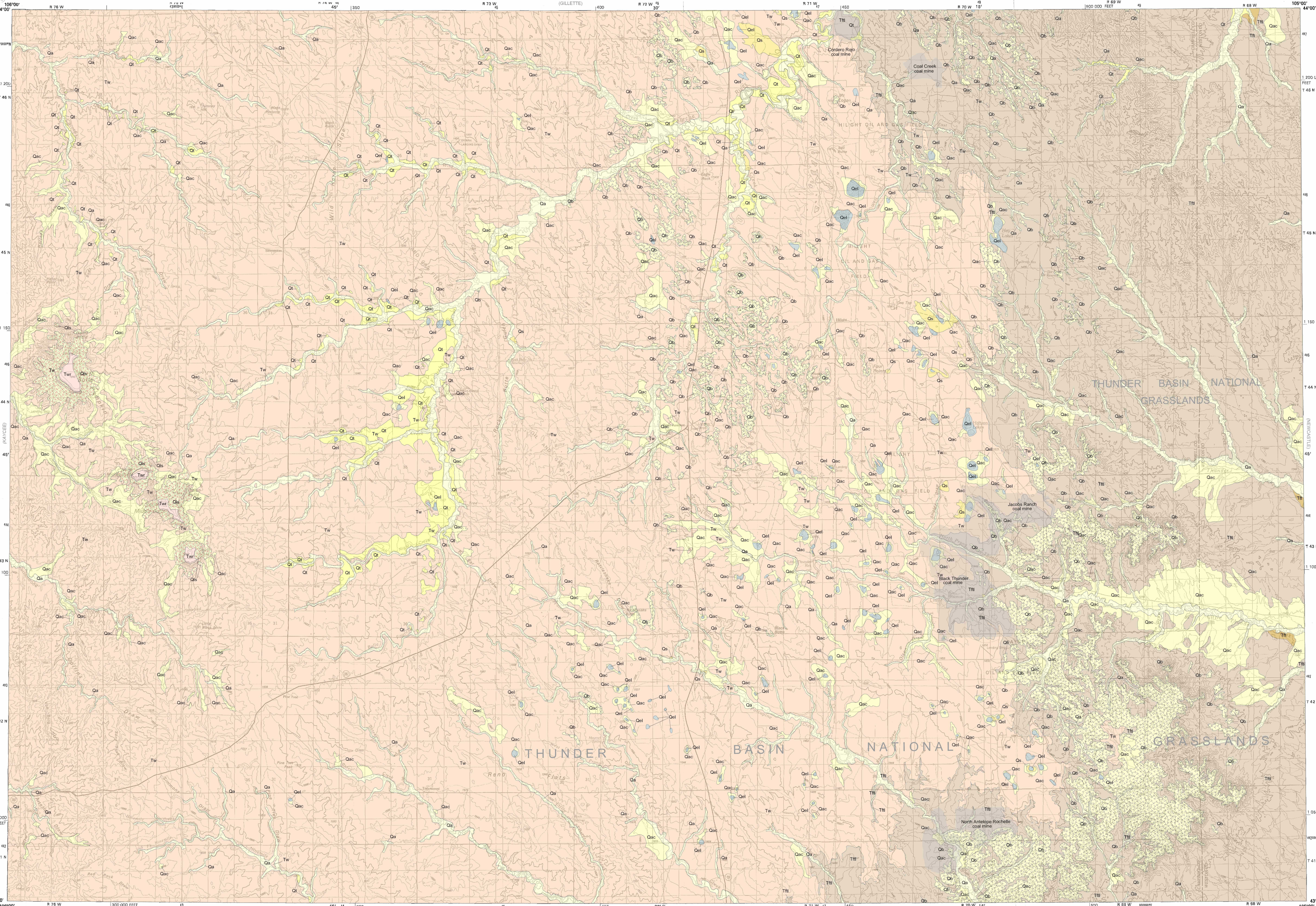
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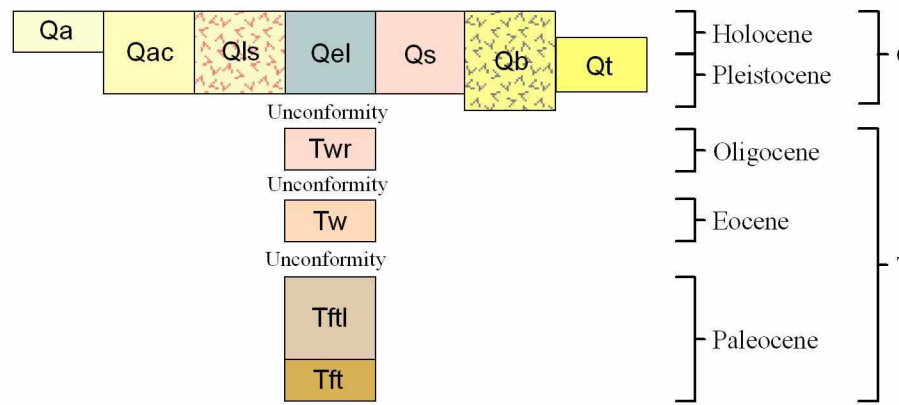


MAP SERIES 62  
Reno Junction 1:100,000 - scale Geologic Map



#### EXPLANATION

##### CORRELATION OF MAP UNITS



##### DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

###### Quaternary surficial deposits

**Qa** **Alluvial deposits (Holocene)**—Unconsolidated, main channel fill, flood plain, and lowest terraces consisting of reworked sediments including sandstone, ironstone, and fossil wood, locally derived from the White River Formation. Thicknesses 5 to 25 feet (1.5 to 7.6m) (Boyd and Ver Ploeg, 1998; Rehels and Coates, 1987)

**Qac** **Mixed alluvium and colluvium (Holocene/Pleistocene)**—Unconsolidated clay, silt, sand, gravel, and baked and fused rock found above the level of present day flooding, deposited prior to the recent incision of streams. Includes slope wash and smaller alluvial fans that coalesce with alluvium and deposits associated with the larger lake sediments (Qel). Thickness ranges from less than 3 feet to about 60 feet (0.9 to 18.3m) (Boyd and Ver Ploeg, 1998)

**Qls** **Landslide/Talus deposits (Holocene/Pleistocene)**—Unsorted angular bedrock fragments of baked and fused rock, sandstone, and siltstone mixed with sediments ranging in size from clay particles to boulders that have undergone mass movement. Thicknesses 10 to 100 feet (3 to 30.5m) (Boyd and Ver Ploeg, 1998; Rehels and Coates, 1987)

**Qel** **Lake sediments (Holocene/Pleistocene)**—Ephemeral lake deposits consisting of clay, silt, and sand interbedded in closed drainage basins. Stringers and surface encrustations of evaporate minerals may also be present. Only the largest deposits are shown; for more detail, see Rehels and Coates, 1987. Thickness ranges from 3 to 15 feet (0.9 to 4.6m) (Boyd and Ver Ploeg, 1998; Rehels and Coates, 1987)

**Qs** **Windblown sand (Holocene/Pleistocene)**—Loose particles of quartz sand, mainly from poorly lithified outcrops of Wasatch Formation, and silt deposited in dunes and sheets downwind from source areas. Thickness ranges from a thin sheet to 15 feet (4.6m) (Boyd and Ver Ploeg, 1998; Rehels and Coates, 1987)

**Qb** **Baked and fused rock (chert) (Holocene/Pleistocene)**—Hard, dense red to orange baked shale and siltstone, and bubbly sometimes glassy rock formed as overlying strata was altered by burning coal beds in the Wasatch and Fort Union Formations. Talus forms locally where blocks have detached from scarps of baked and fused rock and have moved down slope. Thickness ranges between 3 and 33 feet (0.9 to 10.1m) (Boyd and Ver Ploeg, 1998; Rehels and Coates, 1987)

**Qt** **Terrace deposits (Holocene/Pleistocene)**—Sand, silt, and gravel capping higher terraces along major drainages. Gravels consist of locally derived and transported sandstone, ironstone, fossil wood, and other rock material derived from the White River Formation. Thickness ranges from a thin veneer to about 25 feet (7.6m) (Boyd and Ver Ploeg, 1998; Rehels and Coates, 1987)

###### Tertiary sedimentary rocks

**Tw** **White River Formation (Oligocene)**—Upper part pink, green, and brown buffaceous bentonitic claystone and siltstone which has yielded vertebrate fossils of Oligocene age. Lower part consists of cross bedded coarse grained sand and chalcodony cemented conglomerate. Found only as cap rock on Pumpkin Buttes in the west central part of the mapped area. Thickness from 30 to 250 feet (9.1 to 76.2m) (Denson and others, 1989; Love and others, 1987; Rehels and Coates, 1987)

**Tw** **Wasatch Formation (Eocene)**—Gray to buff claystone and siltstone, medium- to coarse grained crossbedded arkosic sandstone. Thin beds of carbonaceous shale and coal occur locally. Sediments are fluvial and paludal in origin. Thickness 1575 to 2250 feet (480.1 to 685.8m) (Denson and others, 1989; Rehels and Coates, 1987)

###### Fort Union Formation (Paleocene)

**Tb** **Tongue River and Lebo Members undivided**  
**Tongue River Member**—Light to dark gray fine-grained sandstone interbedded with drab siltstone, claystone, and shale; thick coal beds, some more than 150 feet (45.7 m) thick, are found near the top. All of these sediments were deposited in streams, swamps, or lakes (Denson and others, 1989; Love and others, 1987)

**Lebo Member**—Interbedded gray, very fine-grained sandstone, siltstone, claystone, carbonaceous shale and coal; all fluvial and paludal in origin. Ironrich calcareous concretions ranging from marble size to several feet in diameter are found throughout the unit of massive white sandstone and clayey shale. Thickness of undivided Tongue River and Lebo members ranges from 1370 to 3280 feet (417.6 to 997.9m) (Denson and others, 1989)

**Tl** **Tallock Member**—Drab appearing massive sandstone interbedded with siltstone, claystone, shale, carbonaceous shale and thin coal beds. Distinguished from overlying Lebo Member by being significantly lighter in color. Thickness 780 to 1700 feet (237.7 to 518.2m) (Love and others, 1987; Denson and others, 1989)

##### MAP SYMBOLS

- Formation contact
- Active coal mine—stippled areas where bedrock has been disturbed, removed, or reclaimed as of the 2004 mining plan/permit
- Current map
- Maps in progress
- Proposed maps
- Published maps

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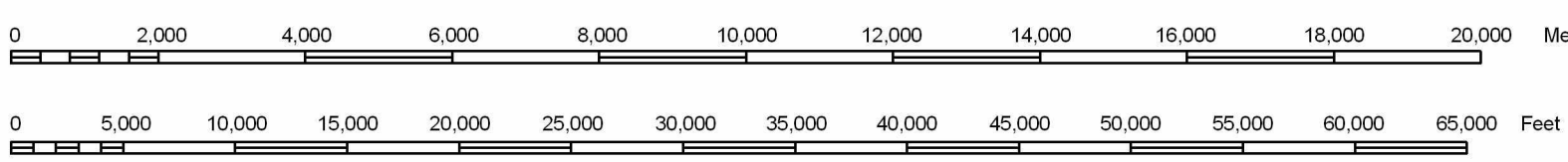
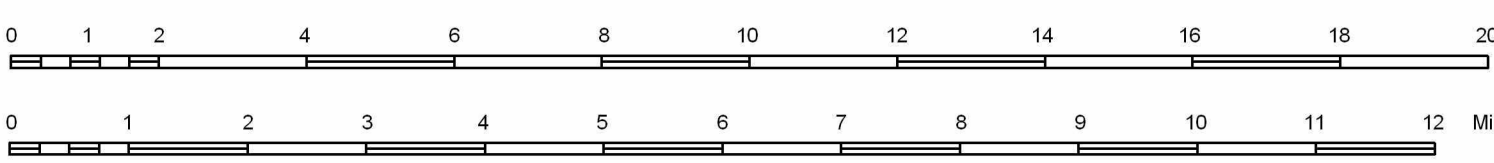
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## GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE RENO JUNCTION 30' x 60' QUADRANGLE, CAMPBELL AND WESTON COUNTIES, WYOMING

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